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Presidential Security

by Michael A. Arrington

Who knows what goes on in the minds of people like Lynette Fromme and Sara Moore? Why do they want to ruin this country? What do they have in common? Why did they want to kill the President of the United States? Or did they?

These questions are being asked today in this country. Unfortunately most people answer these questions with what may be considered a "cop out," "They are crazy."

That they are is questionable, but that still doesn't tell us why in a seventeen day period the life of President Ford was nearly taken twice, once with a shot being fired.

Threats have been received by Ford. Once recently a man was arrested for such a threat, but no connection at the time of this writing has been found between him, Fromme or Moore.

When the President of the United States has to increase his personal security to ridiculous heights and has to wear a bullet proof vest, it seems that we, the land of life, liberty, and the pursuit of happiness, have lost so much.

But President Ford isn't the only one who has to worry. Since the killings of John F. Kennedy by Lee Harvey Oswald, Robert F. Kennedy by Sirhan Sirhan, Rev. Martin Luther King by James Earl Ray and the attempted killing of George Wallace, it appears that everyone's safety comes into jeopardy more often. An exaggerated example of this is the Human Kindness Day incident that occurred last year when a minor public official was blinded by an assult.

It also seems ironic that President Richard Nixon, who was so unpopular that he would not ride in parades in his later years for fear of assassination, had few worries when overseas in communistic areas.

President Ford has said that he will continue to campaign in the open, meeting people with much the same spirit in which this country was so rich in its younger days. This is all well and good, but the life of the President is not something that should be risked.

In this bicentennial year spirit is rising along with the state of the nations economy. Hopefully America will become what it once was. But until then all we can do is ask why?

COVER: Opening of the school year and opening of football season were synonymous in that they both kicked off to successful beginnings. The team went on to be victorious, may the school year do the same. (Photo by JRM)

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Onward and Upward

by Michael Arrington

Onward and upward moves the **Bayonet** with the 1975-1976 school year. The **Bayonet** plans to print seven issues. That is two more issues than last year and almost double the amount of three and four years ago.

Another area of expansion will be the photography department. Along with a growing interest in photography among the staff, the **Bayonet** staff has opened a darkroom with all the equipment needed to process film. This will enable a larger and more creative selection of pictures, vital for the success of a news-magazine. Equipment for this facility was generously lent by Col. Charles E. Savedge and by members of the **Bayonet** staff.

It is the goal of the **Bayonet** to reach all of the people involved with Augusta with information, entertainment and features. Any and all constructive comments would not only be welcomed but appreciated.

The expense of printing the **Bayonet** has also expanded. However, the per issue subscription price has not had to be raised. During the 1974-1975 school year the price was \$5.00 for five issues. This year the subscription price to interested parents and friends will be seven dollars (\$7.00).

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Year Opens Successfully

by David Langley

Honor is the word that best characterizes the spirit of the 1975-1976 corps of cadets.

With the help of diligent working cadet officers who were willing to come back two days earlier than the new cadets and five days before the old cadets and with the guidance of the administration, the year has begun smoothly and successfully.

Rapidly the officers fell into the routine after a quick refresher course in leadership and the school rules offered jointly by the military department and other members of the administration.

With both parties stressing patience with the new cadets and firmness, both cadet and administration will benefit from this philosophy of patience and communication.

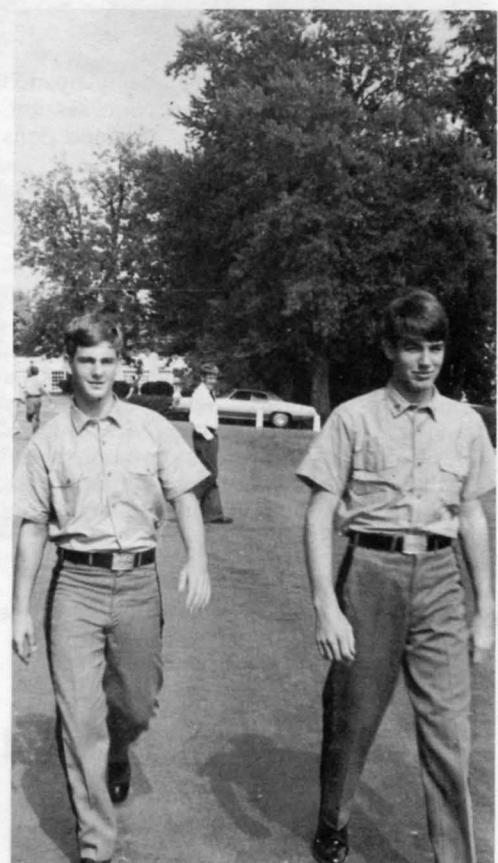
To achieve a successful orientation period very few changes in the rules or military customs of the school were required. It did require, however, an obligation to carry out to the fullest extent those rules which had already been established. This stricter enforcement of the rules really began during the last semester of the 1974-1975 school year, but with the short time remaining then, the administration saw little sense in jumping in with both feet.

The minor changes that were deemed necessary to make the school year func-

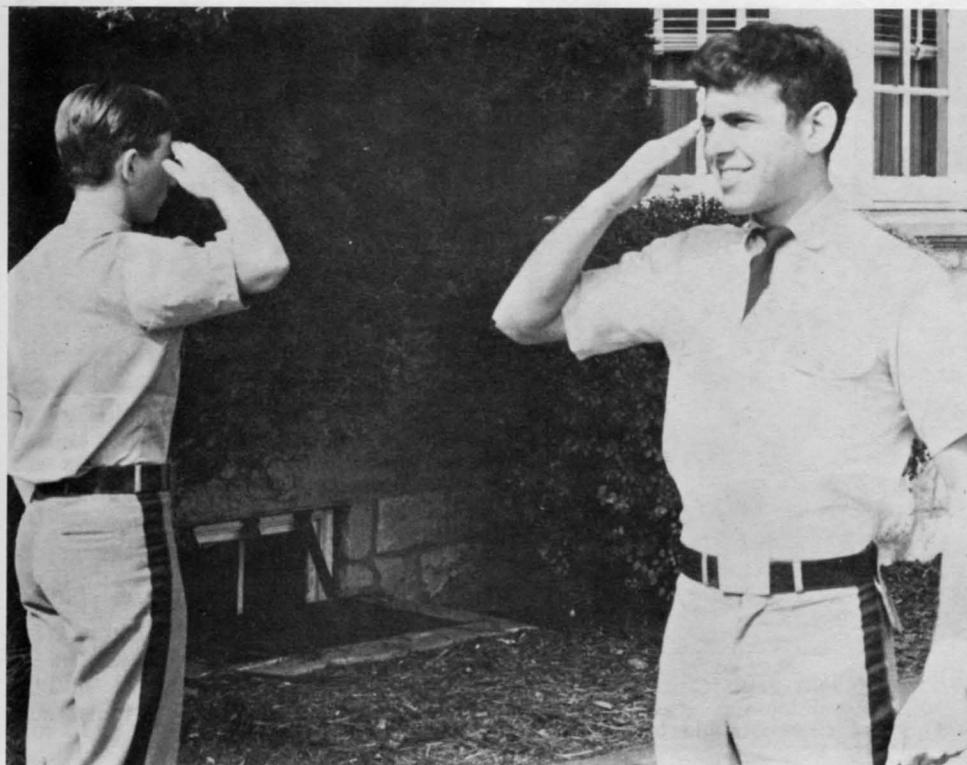
tion were basically of a military nature. One such change being that no longer was a First Sergeant to be considered an officer. He is again the highest ranking NCO on the company level. Another military change that has brought much conversations is in the realm of courtesy. All cadets are now required to salute all cadets who are commissioned officers. This courtesy, extended by the enlisted personnel, also may be considered a method by which overall respect may be cultivated.

Along with the tightening of rules comes the freeing of ties. Cadets will now be given the opportunity to attend classes in either Class A or Class B uniform. Class A school uniform is the dress known in the past and will be in effect on most school days. Class B school uniform is the regular school uniform but with no tie. This dress will be worn only on announced occasions, usually in the hot and muggy weather of Indian summer or spring.

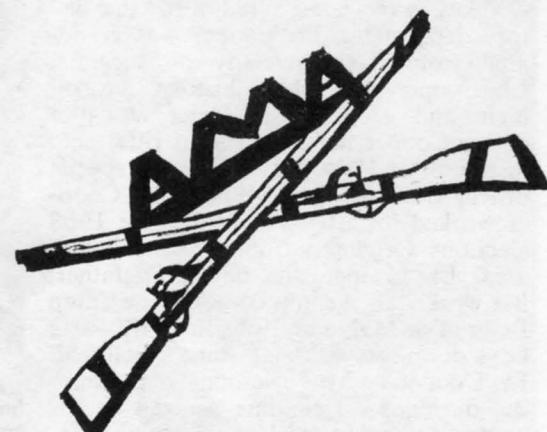
With the fresher minds of the newer members of the faculty and staff and the guidance of the members with more seniority, the 1975-1976 school year should become a success. With more stress on academics than in past years but with then constant reminder from the superintendents office that we are also a military school, the year should prove to be one of honor, understanding, and education for all.



CLASS B UNIFORM proves popular and comfortable to Steve Casey and Scott Seeds. (Photo by JRM)



TO SALUTE AND TO RETURN THE SALUTE was a new military custom which cadet officer Larry London and cadet Douglas Brannan learned during orientation. (Photo by JRM)



New Faculty Opens

by James P. Favors

As Augusta Military Academy opened its gates for its 111th academic session, returning cadets found six new additions to the faculty.

Gone from the library was Captain Harry Davis, who is now teaching ROTC with the Department of Defense Dependents School in Mannheim, Germany. Replacing him is Mrs. Barbara Jenner. Mrs. Jenner graduated from Syracuse University in New York. She holds two degrees, one a Bachelor of Arts and the other a Master of Library Science. Recently moving from New York, Mrs. Jenner lives in Verona and enjoys the atmosphere of the Valley. Swimming, knitting and, of course, reading fill Mrs. Jenner's free time.



EAGER TO HELP, Mrs. Barbara Jenner, new librarian, hopes to make books come alive for cadets. (Photo by JRM)

New additions to the English department are Capt. Jeffrey White and Lt. Thomas Greenwood. Captain White graduated from Dartmouth where he received his degree in English. He recently moved to this area and is anxiously awaiting for the time until he can move into his apartment in Staunton. Until then he is temporarily living in the Old House. Tennis, skiing, and rugby, which Captain White plays in Charlottesville in his free time are among his favorite sports. Before coming to Augusta, Captain White worked with a firm which cleared over-the-counter securities. However, Captain White has made a quick adjustment and is assisting Sgt. Sivert Josephson with the football team.



POINTING OUT A FLAW in the constitution, Lt. John Cooper has his students involved in the processes of American government. (Photo by Arrington)

F Company housefather, Lt. John S. Cooper, is the latest addition to the history department. Lt. Cooper was graduated from the University of Virginia. Lt. Cooper is teaching history, government and geography. Former activities of Lt. Cooper include being a rifle team instructor at UVa. He was also a special officer and a security specialist. Lt. Cooper worked for CBS news cover the 1968 elections. Originally from the Washington area, Lt. Cooper, the new housefather, has worked as a camp counselor at Camp Belgrad in Maine and was in charge of a boys dormitory at Saint Anne's Bellfield. Lt. Cooper enjoys swimming and camping during his free time as well as his hobbies of riflery and water skiing.



REINTRODUCING PHYSICS to the curriculum, Major Royal Johnson reflects on a successful day of classes. (Photo by Arrington)



WORKING WITH CADETS out of as well as in the classroom, Lt. Drew Howard explains a homework assignment to Joel Wilks and Carlos Morales. (Photo by Favors)

Lt. Drew D. Howard completes the science department. Lt. Howard graduated from Keene State College of the University of New Hampshire. He also holds a Master of Science degree from Ohio State University. Lt. Howard is interested in veterinary science and is living on a farm near Spring Hill where he hopes to raise Arabian horses.

Gates To Learning



Lt. Thomas Greenwood, a native of Pennsylvania, graduated from Washington and Lee University where he obtained his degree in English. Before coming to Augusta, Lt. Greenwood taught at Staunton Military Academy. Many of the summer school students remember Lt. Greenwood as he began teaching with the 1975 summer session. He mixes his hobbies with his free time since he enjoys traveling and visiting the many attractions of Virginia.

ENGLISH CLASS? Attempting to make a peanut butter and jelly sandwich according to his students written instructions, Captain Jeff White illustrates loopholes in their essays. (Photo by Arrington)

MAKING THE MOST of the break between classes, Lt. Thomas Greenwood chats with students Tony Roston, Stanley Stewart, and Floyd Goldsmith. (Photo by Favors)



A World Apart

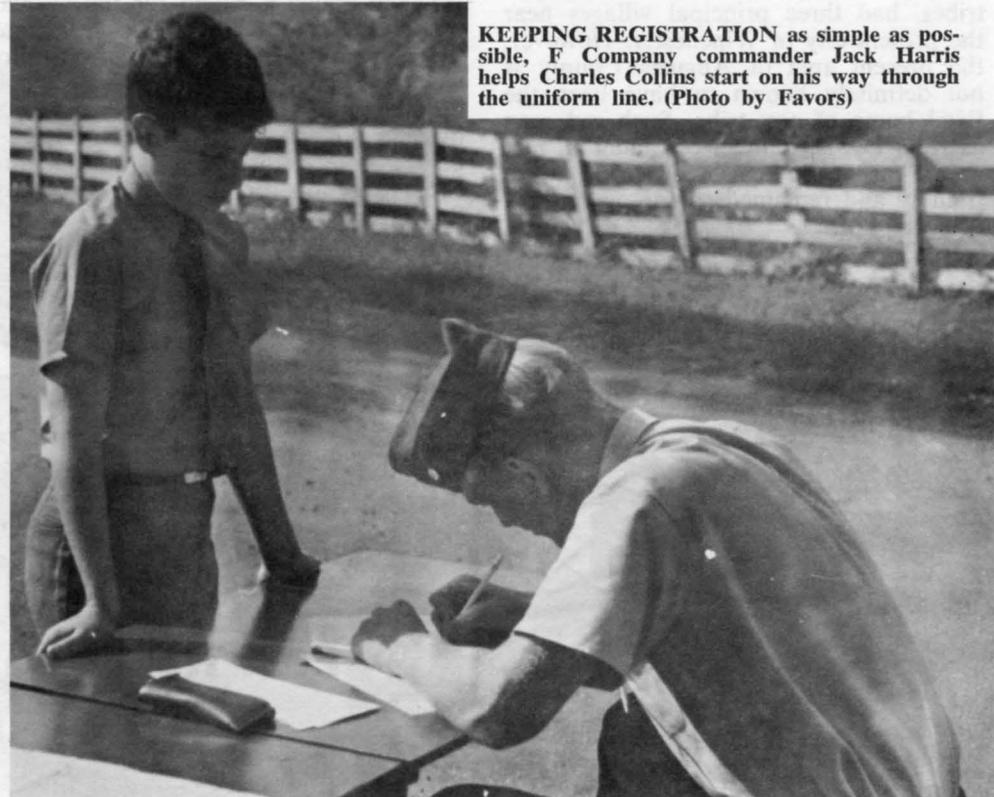
by David Langley

Restless would best describe sleep on the night of 15 September for approximately fifteen new cadet junior schoolers. Many of these young men may never have been away from the warmth of home. These cadets were of a new breed, and with the help of an all new F Company command structure managed to adapt quickly.

With a smaller company this year and the help of a new and able housefather, the officers reached goals which might never have been dreamed possible. Who would have believed that F Company would be capable of drilling with some capability within just three short days?

In general the performance of the juniors may be attributed to the patience and overall aura of positive thinking on the part of the officers. The other contributing factor to the success of this company is the size. There are only thirty-one cadets, six of which are upper school officers and NCO's. This element has allowed for a closer relationship between the lower schoolers and their officers.

Certainly if the beginning of this year is any indication of what is to come, there will no doubt be a renewed respect for the junior schoolers.



KEEPING REGISTRATION as simple as possible, F Company commander Jack Harris helps Charles Collins start on his way through the uniform line. (Photo by Favors)

SIX

West to the Pacific

Part 1

by George Mineff

Bicentennial fervor has reached the members of the BAYONET staff. To help celebrate the two hundredth birthday of the United States, the BAYONET will print in the first three issues a brief history of Augusta County, source of Augusta in Augusta Military Academy.

As far as known, the area now comprising Augusta County was first entered by white men in August, 1716. Colonel Alexander Spotswood, Governor of Virginia led a troop of horsemen known as the Knights of the Golden Horseshoe because of the memento given each participant.

The county claimed for the British Crown by Governor Spotswood became part of the County of Essex. With the westward movement and growth of the Colony of Virginia, this area became a part of Spotsylvania County in 1720 and of Orange County in 1734. In 1738 Augusta County was formed from Orange and until the post-Revolutionary War era comprised an area which included all of present day West Virginia as well as parts of Pennsylvania, Ohio and areas west and north over the entire area claimed by Great Britain.

At the period of discovery by the white man, the Valley of Virginia was the camping, hunting-ground and residence of numerous Indian tribes. The Shawnee, the most considerable of the Agonquin tribes, had three principal villages near the present city of Winchester. However, the present area of Augusta County is not definitely known to have been the fixed home of any tribe. Such red men as John Lewis, founder of Staunton, met upon entering Augusta in 1732 were friendly and remained so for over twenty years.

A strange uncertainty has existed as to the date and some of the circumstances of the first settlement of Augusta. Whether or not John Lewis was the first white settler of the county is not definitely known, but at any rate he was a man who by his foresight and diligence left a mark upon the entire Valley.

By 1791 through the creation of additional counties, Augusta had been reduced to its present size about thirty-three miles in length and thirty miles wide. With an area of 1,006 square miles, Augusta remains the second largest county in the commonwealth.

As the County of Orange had, previous to 1738, embraced all the land west of the Blue Ridge Mountains, the business of the people of Augusta County continued to be transacted at Orange Court House. However, the expense, inconvenience and delay made it urgent to erect a court house in or near Staunton.

Accordingly the first court of Augusta, which determined who the first public officials would be, was convened on the ninth of December, 1745. John Lewis was constituted the leader of the community until 1742 when he was placed at the head of the court, a position he continued to hold until his death nearly twenty years later.

The site of the city of Staunton predates the creation of Augusta County by two years. In 1736 King George II of England issued a patent for the "Manor of Beverly" and some twelve years later the beginnings of the town of Staunton were laid out by William Beverly within his manor and at his "Mill Place." The original streets when laid out consisted of six streets, forty-four town lots and twenty-five lots for the use of the county. Some thirteen years later the town received its charter.

Disastrous and inhuman warfare began to be waged by the Indians along the frontier in 1753. Although but one small massacre occurred within the present limits of Augusta, many did occur in the county of that day. One of the worst effects of this war was the constant state of uncertainty which the people experienced. From the close of 1758 until 1761, the people of Augusta appeared to have been relieved from alarms of savage warfare, but in the later years the Indians renewed the war with increased horror.

As the white population increased, the savages decreased. Thus in 1766 the last of the hostile inroads into the county by the Indians took place. The pioneers then settled down after thanking God for their safety.

The Church of England was established in the county by law and the vestry of the parish was the legislative body of the district. In 1747 the first elected vestry assembled and elected the Reverend John Hindeman as the first rector. The congregation was too poor to build a church and during the three years of Mr. Hindeman's ministry, he was forced to hold the church services in private homes. Up to the year 1760 and indeed long afterwards there was no meeting house for religious worship in the county except those of the Presbyterian denomination. The first meetinghouses of Tinkling Springs and Augusta were probably built before the year 1740. At what date the present Augusta Stone Church was built is not definitely known. It is generally believed to have been completed in 1748. The next house of worship to be erected was the parish church built between 1753 and 1773 on the site of present Trinity Church in Staunton.

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FOOTBALL

by Christopher Vetick

Early to bed and early to rise is what twenty-one eager football players had to contend with starting on 8 September.

Practices held twice daily were headed by Coach Joe Josephson, who is in his fourth year with the Augusta football team. A new outlook will be offered by the expected offensive team.

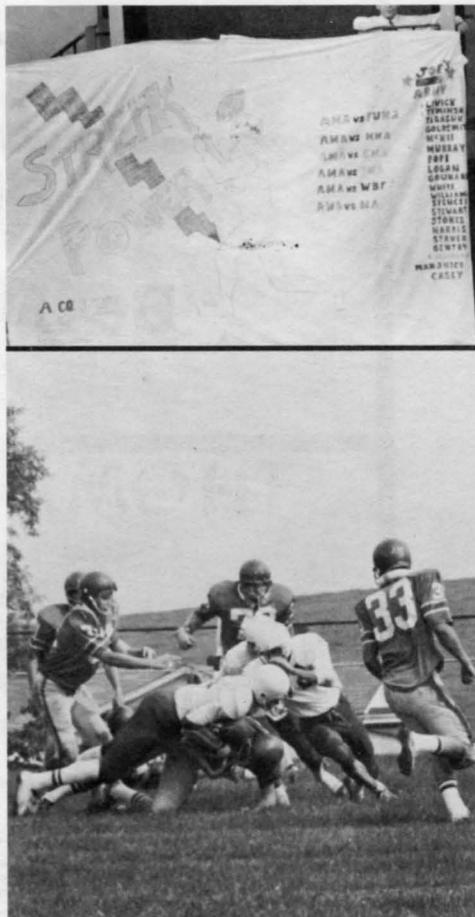
The backfield is occupied by veteran Charles Livick at fullback. Livick, one of the team's co-captains, is a good ball carrier and blocker. The other backfield positions belong to Floyd Goldsmith, the fastest man on the team, and to Eddie Williams, another fast runner. The backfield will be the main offensive asset to the team commented Coach Josephson. Completing this backfield will be John Tarasuk at quarterback, who has a good arm and good running ability.

Other veterans are John Tyminski playing at guard. Tyminski, the other team co-captain, was the most valuable defensive player during the 1974 season. Split end Tom White will be the main receiver for the team. Tom was selected as the most improved player last year.

On the line will be Lance Logan and Stanley Stewart as tackles and Kirk Pope as guard.

With a short two and one half weeks of practice, the team will be preparing for the usually tough Fork Union Military Academy team at home on 27 September. Other tough games will be with archrival Staunton Military Academy, Woodberry Forest, and Fishburne Military Academy.

With the season closing in, Coach Josephson and assistant coach Jeff White will just wait and hope for a good season to be executed by this year's team.



SHOWING ITS SPIRIT, A Company's creativity boosted the football team to a 33-7 victory over Fork Union. Victory followed victory as the Blue Streaks defeated Hargrave 20-14. (Photo by Arrington) Tackling the situation, Stanley Stewart and Lance Logan did their part to bring victory to Augusta. (Photo by Brinson)



October - Home sports

4	Soccer with Albemarle High
14	Soccer with Montevideo High
17	Football with SMA
24	Soccer with Tandem School
29	Soccer with Hargrave Military
31	Football with Woodberry JV
1	November — Parent's Day
6	Nov. — Football with Massanutten Academy JV

SOCCKET

by Ed Long

Screaming. Yelling. Where is it all coming from? Every September people wonder what all the noise is about. It's no surprise but to the new cadets. It's the first day of soccer practice.

With the new season ahead and a forgotten one behind, the coach, Col. Paul Hoover, thinks he has the ingredients for a successful team.

On 18 September and only two practices behind them, the enthusiastic, high-spirited players seem to feel the same. Confident Keith Sterling, goalie, says, "We have a good line, good control of the ball, and experience."

Lineman Rigo Lizarralde, a new recruit feels that with some improvement on the offense, they will be ready to start.

With more practice and a few improvements, the Blue Streaks feel they will be ready to be put to the test as they open the season against Montevideo High School on September 30.

COMMONPLACE OCCURANCE at the home opener against Fork Union Military Academy were gain stopping tackles such as this one by John Tarasuk and David Stokes. Led by Tarasuk's quarterbacking, Augusta went on to win 33-7. (Photo by Brinson)

EIGHT Bien Venido

by Carlos Morales

En primer lugar darles la bienvenida a todos los latinos que reciente mente arrivaron a AMA. Quienes vienen de lugares bastante lejanos como Venezuela, Puerto Rico, Guatemala, Republica Dominicana y Colombia.

Todos los latinos que lla an estado unos años aqui que lla an espermentodo los cambios de un idioma a otro. Todos emos espermentodo el venir aqui y no saber una sola palabra en ingles, emos salido habantes con deseos de aprender ingles. Con un ejemplo tan grande de los latinos que reciente mente se graduaron de AMA como Jorge Cordon, Andres Ayau y Felix Montez quienes estan en las universidades de USA y de Guatemala.

Tienen que tomar un ejemplo y espiritu de darle honor a su nombre y el de los paises que pertenecen. Tenir espiritu por las clases y en los deportes.

Como se supone que por ser latinos tener más conocimiento del football soccer, habansar ese deporte para el conocimiento de los norteamericanos.

Al prinsipio para todos los nuevos latinos los primeros dias este colegio les parecera aburrido por que no se puedan hablar con nadie ni entienden a nadie pero en unos tres o cuatro meses y con un poco de esfuerzo se puedo aprender el ingles.

Todos los profesores deciaran alludarlles pero como ellos no hablan español es un poco dificel, pero si tienen algun problema creo que ya conocen a el coroneal Rapp que el si habla español bueno para todos los latinos nuevos es mi mejor deceo que pacen un buen año y aprender ingles.

Como dijo, el chabo del ocho siganme los buenos.

Find The Faculty

Can you find the names of sixteen of Augusta's faculty members? Names are horizontal and vertical as well as diagonal. Answer will appear in the next issue.

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